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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Mark Leslie SMYTHE et al.

Title:

PROTEIN ENGINEERING

Appl. No.:

09/830,011

Appl. Filing Date:

07/23/2001

Examiner:

Lori A. Clow

Art Unit:

1631

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
 - a. Previously submitted:
 - [X] Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on <u>December</u> 29, 2003.
 - [] Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on __ but not considered.

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[] Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ___. [] Other ___. b. Enclosed are: [] Amendment/Reply. [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s). [] Information Disclosure Statement. ΓÌ Form PTO-1449 with copies of listed reference(s). [] Other.

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extr Pres	a Claims ent		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$770.00	=	\$770.00
Total Claims:	27	_	30	= 0		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	3	-	4	= 0		x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation of	any	y Multiple D	Depender	t Claims:	+	\$290.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEE	TOTAL:	=	\$770.00

[X] Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

\$0.00	0	\$110.00	Extension for response filed within the first month:	[]	
\$0.00)	\$420.00	Extension for response filed within the second month:	[]	
\$950.00)	\$950.00	Extension for response filed within the third month:	[X]	
\$0.00)	\$1,480.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	[]	
\$0.00)	\$2,010.00	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	[]	
\$950.00	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:				
\$110.00	EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: -				
\$840.00	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL				
\$1610.00	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:				
\$805.00	[X] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):				
\$0.00	[] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)				
\$805.00		TAL FEE:	TC		

- [] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$805.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- [X] A check in the amount of \$805.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date February 26, 2004

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